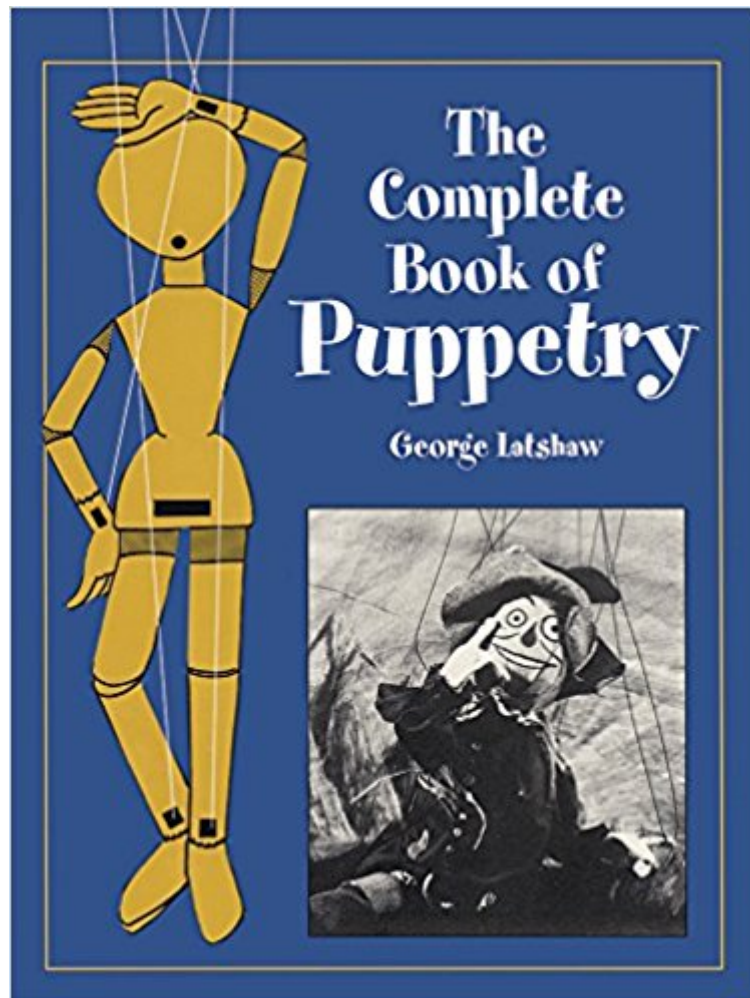




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Well written & clear.

A great read for people interested in the history of marionettes and other puppets. Very informative and interesting. Would recommend for puppet fans.

I got this book as a gift for my daughter who is a theatre professor, because I knew Mr. Latshaw years ago when we were both high school students in a summer university program and I'd seen articles about his work. I think he has made substantial contributions to the world of puppetry and I'm glad I had the opportunity to meet him.

I find this book facinating to read, and as I grew up loving puppets and puppet theater, Diver Dan, Howdy Doody, Kookla Fran and Ollie, Sharry Lewis and Lamb Chop etc, I am glad to have the tools to make some for my own amusement and hopefully be able to make some use of them. Great book. I love it.

Very interesting and informative book.

I very pleased to have this book in my collection. I knew George Latshaw and respected him as a fine puppeteer and great human being. May he Rest In Peace.

Historical and informative...

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